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MEETING LOG

DIRECTORATE FOR ENGINEERING SCIENCES

SUBJECT:

Discussion of Possible Technological Solution to the Water Heater Flammable Vapor Ignition Issue

PLACE:

Gas Consultants Inc., 7590 Independence Drive,

Walton Hills, OH 44146

MEETING DATE: April 2, 1998

LOG ENTRY SOURCE: Donald W. Switzer

April 16, 1998 ENTRY DATE:

COMMISSION ATTENDEES:

Donald W. Switzer

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Consultant to the Water Heater

Joint Development Consortium

NON-COMMISSION ATTENDEES:

J.P. Langmead

President, Gas Consultants Carl Suchovsky Gas Consultants Mike Gable State Industries Drew Smith Rheem Manufacturing Jake Hall Rheem Manufacturing Bill Harrigill Consortium Counsel Clem Erhardt

MEETING SUMMARY

CPSC staff requested this meeting to examine prototypes produced by the Water Heater Industry Joint Development Consortium to address the hazard posed by gas-fired water heaters igniting flammable vapors in the home. The meeting was closed to the public because the material discussed was confidential.